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Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) herewith abandon Application Serial No. 09/164,793 without prejudice to Applicant's rights in any inventions described and/or claimed therein or to the filing by Applicant(s) of a new application directed to such inventions.

Respectfully submitted,

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